

BOARD MEETING January 9, 2013



CAMBRIDGE TOWNSHIP

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

JANUARY 9, 2013

The supervisor called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. with the pledge to the flag.

Roll call showed the following members present: Hawkins, Richardson, Johncox, Gentner, Garrison.

Motion by Johncox, supported by Garrison to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Gentner, supported by Richardson to approve the treasurer's report. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Gentner, supported by Garrison to approve P.O. request of the police department for \$290 for caps with patches, including set up fee. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Johncox, supported by Garrison to approve payment of bills as follows: \$10,574.74 in bills paid since the last meeting and \$32,329.07 in current month bills. Motion carried unanimously.

The monthly police report was given by Chief Wibbeler. Motion by Richardson, supported by Johncox to approve. Motion carried unanimously.

The monthly fire report was reviewed by the supervisor in the absence of the fire chief. Motion by Gentner, supported by Richardson to approve. Motion carried unanimously.

The monthly zoning report was reviewed by the supervisor. Motion by Garrison, supported by Richardson to approve. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion on the sale of the former township hall. Richardson finally had contact with the renters today and they indicated they could offer \$30,000 for the property. Motion by Gentner, supported by Garrison to accept offer of \$30,000 for the property with the stipulation that the township retains an easement over the parking lot for access to the pole barn on the adjacent property. Motion carried unanimously.

Senator Bruce Caswell addressed the audience regarding the recently passed legislation impacting personal property taxes of businesses. Caswell indicated how the law would phase in if the voters of Michigan approved the funding mechanism of using one and one-half cents of the six-cent use tax currently in place. That vote is to take place in August of 2014. Caswell answered several questions and comments on the issue. Caswell also addressed discussions in the legislature on how to improve funding for road maintenance, especially at the local level.

Eugene Deuel addressed the audience regarding the Economic Development Commission and the availability of

funding for environmental cleanup.

Public comment was received.

Motion by Richardson, supported by Gentner to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 7:55 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Rick W. Richardson, Clerk